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Applicant : **Charles R. Rapier et al.**
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Examiner : **Paul A. Wartalowicz**
For: **Stabilized Alumina Supports, Catalysts Made Therefrom, And Their Use In Partial Oxidation**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 18, 2006

Customer No.: **31889**
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.